



## Château de Pez 2016: Landmark Vintage Saint-Estèphe Cru Bourgeois

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## **WINEENTHUSIAST**

Founded in the 15th century, Pez is the oldest domaine in Saint-Estèphe. The Pontac family, then-owners of Château Haut-Brion, gave Pez its vineyards. The property remained in the hands of descendants until the French Revolution. Sold as a property of the state, the domaine belonged to a succession of families until 1995, when it was purchased by Champagne Louis Roederer.

Planted to prime grape varieties, mainly merlot and cabernet sauvignon. Thanks to the quality of its production, Château de Pez is counted among the most highly reputed crus of the Médoc and was reclassified as a Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnel in 2003.

Château de Pez remains resolutely faithful to wood. The blend is composed in December, and the wine is stored in barrels (40% new wood) and racked every three months. It is to be noted that the wine undergoes absolutely no filtration.

## JAMESSUCKLING.COM 7 93 pts

"St.-Estèphe is supposed to be a robust and hard wine, but this is elegant and sophisticated with fine, cassis and lemon-peel aromas, polished tannins and a long, rather delicate finish. Drink or hold." *February 2019* 

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"One of the many estates on the Pez plateau in Saint-Estèphe, this property is at the top of its game. Owned by the same proprietors as Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande, the wine has structure, big tannins as well as dense black fruits." *May 2019* 

Wine Spectator 92 pts "This has a mix of red currant, dark plum and bitter cherry fruit flavors giving nice range from the start, while light tobacco, iron and singed alder notes check in as well. The taut finish has pebbly tannins and solid length. Cellar to let this unwind." *March 2019* 

"Perhaps the finest tannic structure that I have encountered during many years of tasting this Saint Estèphe."

WINE ADVOCATE



53% Merlot 42% Cabernet Sauvignon 3.5% Petit Verdot 1.5% Cabernet Franc